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Dear Bill,

Please excuse the always rush. I'm about to leave for Washington to pick up some new materials that have been copied for me. I gave Ray some detail in a longer letter last night. If there is any of this material that any of you might be interested in let me know. My old Thermofax is supposedly repaired and home and I can take the time to copy any of it. I believe I forgot in writing Maggie to tell you all that these new documents are from the so-called working papers of the staff. I believe I did tell Dick (who I've never met) when he phoned. I've the names of all the people whose film went into that one.

You once mentioned "Four Dark Day" and I told you I did not have a copy. I have found I do in case you want it. This one appears to be the 1963 edition. That is the copyright date.

I shall endeavor to learn whether there is a list of the working papers. If there is I'll buy a zerox copy. I suggested to Ray that if any of you have copying facilities available and you want copies, the cheapest thing, despite the cost of airmail, would be for me to rush my copy out to you for your own copying. If it is not too long and you'd be satisfied with a Thermofax copy, generally not as good, I can do that here when I've time.

Because there have been too many other things to do and because I'm waiting for several things I've done but little on III lately. I've got a number of letters to be answered by the archivist, so I cannot write more of the little text until he answers or has had enough time so I can say there has been no answer. Right now I think this book can be twice the size of the earlier two without difficulty, and with two weeks in the Archives probably double that. This I just cannot afford, so I'm troubled because I do not think anyone else will do this kind of unorthodox thing. But I do believe these documents should be in general distribution. I've been hoping to hear from a small foundation where a friend is making or has made a pitch for me.

As I told Ray, I think I'll do a fast book on Manchester. I've roughed out 10,000 words on the second Look instalment alone. He is the most wrong man in the world and probably one of the least honest. I hope there will be a chance for normal publication of that one, with the chief focus not on the government and its inherent defense of the Kennedys, for all their foolishness and misconceived sense of royalty that led them into such a mess. I'll probably know more of this after I go to NY next week en route to two university speeches and two radio broadcasts and a TV taping in New England. Penn and LA are coming here the following week, and we are looking forward to it. My wife has met only one of the others of us researching, Ray....There is a chance that week after next when Penn is here he'll want to go to the Archives. I plan no work while he is here and will do what he wants and take him where he wants and to do what he wants. So, if there is anything any of you want from the Archives or that you may want me to seek for you, please let me know say by 2/10 of 11. I know I have to be in DC 2/13. Beginning the week after Penn is here I really have to buckle down to III and will have less time, because in addition there are signs that Dell has the taste of money and may arrange some appearances for me. Best to all of you, hurriedly